

Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007 Committee Statement LB 491

Hearing Date: February 2, 2007

Committee On: Judiciary

Introducer(s): (Harms)

Title: Change provisions relating to concealed handguns

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

X Advanced to General File with Amendments

Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

6 Yes Sen. Ashford, Sen. Chambers, Sen. Lathrop, Sen. McDonald,

Sen. McGill, Sen. Schimek

NoPresent, not votingSen. PedersenSen Pirsch

Absent

Proponents: Representing:

Sen. Harms

Richard Wood UNL

Brad Sher Bergan LCH

Thomas O'Neill Jim Cunningham

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 491 proposes to amend provisions of the Concealed Handgun Permit Act to include colleges and universities among the places where the carrying of concealed weapons is prohibited. The language currently in the bill refers to school, and the Attorney General in a recent opinion has determined that school as used in the act does not include Universities or Colleges.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

The committee amendment to LB 491 makes five changes to the bill as introduced.

- 1. Adds hospitals to the list of places where a permit holder is prohibited from carrying a concealed weapon in section 69-2441.
- 2. Amends section 69-2441 to prohibit permit holders from carrying a concealed weapon on any premises with a liquor license by striking the language "that derives over one-half of its total income from the sale of alcoholic liquor".
- 3. Amends section 69-2441 to replace the phrase "public or private school" with the standard statutory reference of "public, private, denominational or parochial school".
- 4. Corrects an incorrect fund reference and directs the funds collected for permit fees to the State Patrol Cash Fund rather than the Public Service Cash Fund.
- 5. Clarifies the process for revoking a permit under the act by amending sections 69-2436 to include procedures for revoking a permit when a criminal violation of the act has occurred. The current statute only provided specific procedures for revocation if the permit holder failed to meet the eligibility requirements for a permit.

Senator Brad Ashford, Chairperson